

3 Churches News

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WHY HEREFORDSHIRE?

You may have noticed that for the last few weeks our Cycle of Prayers on this newsletter's back page has been for parishes in Herefordshire. So why are we in Wales praying for parishes in a county in England?

Herefordshire is an integral part of our diocese - and has been since the Catholic dioceses of England and Wales were erected in 1850 at the so-called 'Restoration of the Hierarchy'. The then Diocese of Newport and Menevia spread right across from Hereford to west Wales. However, Wales did not yet have any churches deemed suitable to be made into a cathedral, and so the newly founded **Belmont Abbey** served that purpose - in Hereford, of course. In 1895 west Wales left us to join the north, leaving Glamorgan with Herefordshire - and Monmouthshire, itself often seen as part of England rather than Wales. The cathedral was still at Belmont. Sometimes we were even seen as an English diocese with a bit of Wales tagged on!

Our far-sighted **Bishop Hedley** realised that Cardiff was going to be the major city, and moved down to live in our very own Station Road. You can still see his house, now the Court School. He prepared for us to become an archdiocese based in Cardiff, but it did not happen until after his death in 1916. **St David's** in town now became our cathedral, jointly with Belmont, but this strange arrangement did not last. When the first archbishop, Bilsborrow, resigned in 1920, St David's became the sole cathedral, and Belmont got on with being a Benedictine abbey, as it does to this day.

So Herefordshire is part of our diocese partly through the presence of Belmont, and partly, I suspect, by some pen-pushers drawing a few lines on a map back in 1850! However, as a former parish priest of **Ledbury** there, I know that it is good to have this quiet rural part of our diocese alongside the big cities of Cardiff and Newport, the Valleys and the Vale of Glamorgan. Variety is the spice of a diocese...

Fr Matthew



~~~~ Pentecost (Sunday 9 June 2019) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful**  
**And kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 2: 1-11 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 8: 8-17 **Gospel:** John 14: 15-16. 23-26

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### Father's News

#### PENTECOST

Today is the great Feast of the **Holy Spirit** and of the **Church**. Pray for a new outpouring of the Spirit on yourself, on your loved ones and on our Churches.

#### FATHER ANDY BORD

We received the great news this week that Fr Andy Bord will be joining us at our 3 Churches in September. Fr Andy has been working with Canon Maguire and more recently Fr Nick Williams at St Mary's Canton and Holy Family Fairwater for some years.

Canon Maguire is now retiring and being replaced by Canon Peter Collins from the Cathedral. Fr Nick will remain there. The Archbishop will now be "Rector" of the Cathedral and joined by Fr Daniel Stanton, our former deacon.

Fr Peter Davies will continue to assist us in addition to his full-time ministry at the Cardiff hospitals. We look forward to welcoming Fr Andy, a very experienced priest, so please remember him in your prayers as he prepares to move.

#### IN-SERVICE TRAINING

Later this week Fr Matthew, with most of the priests of the diocese, attends two-yearly in-service training. This will be led by **Sherry Weddell**, author of the influential book "Forming Intentional Disciples". Note that there will be several **Eucharistic Services** in place of Mass.

**Adoration for our families on the second Sunday of the month (Monday 10 June) 1.30 - 2.30pm at St Teilo's Church, Whitchurch followed by time to chat over a cuppa in the pub next door**

#### SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILY

St Peter's parish is working with two mosques in the city to support a Syrian refugee family to resettle in the city. This is a response to Pope Francis' call for Christians to demonstrate its commitment to Gospel values. A family will arrive later this summer. In order to raise funds to support this initiative, parish members will be selling raffle tickets at the end of all Masses next weekend. Anticipating your usual generosity, we thank you.

#### GIFTS AND LEGACIES

On **Tuesday 18 June at 7pm** in St Brigid's Hall you have the opportunity to attend an informal meeting explaining how to make a personal gift or legacy to the Church - parish or diocese. This event will be an opportunity to meet staff from Archbishop's House to discuss how to make a personal bequest, or a gift in memory of a loved one. For those who are interested, the Archdiocese will be making available expertise in this area including solicitors who can assist with the drafting of a will.

#### YR OFFEREN YN GYMRAEG

Mass in Welsh will be celebrated at St David's Cathedral, Charles Street, Cardiff on Saturday 15 June at 3.30pm. Bishop Emeritus Edwin Regan will preside. Bilingual booklets are provided. Croeso cynnes i bawb.

#### Celebrate Wales

Saturday 29 June 9am - 9pm  
Sunday 30 June 9am - 4.30pm  
Mary Immaculate High School  
Cardiff  
CF5 5QZ  
Contact Michael Coyle  
(01952 417223)

[wales@celebrateconference.org](mailto:wales@celebrateconference.org)

#### Mid Summer Tea Party

Seeds for the Future (Lesotho) will be holding its annual mid summer tea party on Sunday 23 June 3 - 5pm in Christ the King Parish Centre. Tickets £8 for adults, donation on the day for children. Tickets will be available after Masses on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 June or contact Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401 or [seedsstff@gmail.com](mailto:seedsstff@gmail.com))

Offers of prizes for the raffle would be welcome. The funds raised will be used to support young people from the village of Ramabanta to attend high school and provide food parcels for households with no income.

#### The Catenians

The Catenians, the Catholic Men's Association, are holding their monthly Circle meeting on Monday 17 June at the Angel Hotel, Cardiff. For more information about the meeting or the Association, please contact John Worthington (2075 0115). Copies of the Catenian magazine, Roundabout, are available at the back of church.

#### OPEN DOOR

##### SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Thursday 20 June 2 - 4pm  
Christ the King Parish Centre

We will be having a  
Bring and Buy Sale  
plus refreshments and  
good fellowship!  
All most welcome

#### Bereavement Support

There is a training day for those interested in Bereavement Support in the Archdiocese. If you are interested, the course is on Saturday 6 July at the Pastoral Resources Centre starting at 9.30am. Contact Ansti Corellis ([anstic2018@yahoo.com](mailto:anstic2018@yahoo.com)) for info

## **Welsh National Pilgrimage**

A call to come & join the pilgrimage in this special anniversary year as we celebrate 160<sup>th</sup> & 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Bernadette's birth and death.

A chance to join together in prayer, liturgies, acts of compassion, friendship, laughter, camaraderie. Renew your dedication to Our Lady and the Welsh National!

The Welsh National is growing and it's an exciting time to be part of the community / pilgrimage family. A full religious programme is organised with time included for reflection, discussions and free time. We enjoy an afternoon tea and entertainment, joy and laughter.

Support is available for those depending on the individual needs. We have an experienced and dedicated medical team of doctors and nurses who work tirelessly alongside the army of youth helpers and adult helpers in order to ensure that all enjoy and all needs are catered for.

Our pilgrimage is a family who support and encourage each other in order to answer Our Lady's call. This year's theme "blessed are the poor in spirit" will provide an opportunity for us to think about the poor and vulnerable in our communities and the ways we can support each other.

Are you someone who could...?  
- volunteer as a helper (youth or adult)  
- sponsor an assisted pilgrim  
- join us as a pilgrim and bring a friend / family member  
- a member of the clergy who could support the pilgrimage  
- bring a group from your parish / SVP or other faith group.

If so, please contact the Welsh National Pilgrimage director - [welshnationalpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:welshnationalpilgrimage@gmail.com)

## **ACTA - A Call to Action**

ACTA (A Call to Action) is an organisation that brings together clergy, religious and laity to discuss issues of common interest and concern. The next meeting of the Cardiff group of ACTA is at St David's Sixth Form College, Ty Gwyn Road, Penylan, Cardiff on Tuesday 18 June 7pm. All are welcome. Further information is available from Frank Callus of St Peter's parish ([fbcallus@aol.com](mailto:fbcallus@aol.com) or 07956 005459)

## **Other events**

### **Refugee Week**

17 - 23 June

Different pasts, shared future  
[www.refugeeweek.org.uk/wales](http://www.refugeeweek.org.uk/wales)

## **Christ the King**

### **Mass Changes**

Please note there is no morning Mass at Christ the King on Thursday 13 June

### **R.I.P.**

Please pray for **Michael Mannings**, husband of Sue and father of Leanne and Steven who has died recently. Michael's funeral will take place at the Wenallt Chapel, Thornhill on Wednesday 19 June at 10.15am.

### **"50 Club" Winners**

**May 2019**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25**

**Frances Ballin [No.91]**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15**

**Cherime Johnson [No.126]**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10**

**Richard Goodwin [No.47]**

**This Thursday (13 June) there will be a Tai Chi Class.**

**The next LIFT Class will be next Thursday 20 June 10 - 11am in Christ the King Parish Centre.**

## ***The Flower Group***

The Flower Group have unanimously decided to retire for several different reasons. We feel that a younger enthusiastic group of ladies and men may enjoy forming their own Flower Group to continue decorating Christ the King church throughout the year.

The existing members would offer their support if needed for however long it is required. This is a serious decision on our part, and not lightly taken after all our years of flower arranging in our Church and thus we would urge you, if you wish to continue to see the Church decorated throughout the year, particularly at Easter and Christmas to consider forming a group. If you would like to discuss any aspect of this please contact Linda Halloran (2075 9826 / 07815 292374)

### **Christian Aid**

Collection from envelopes at the back of the church amounted to £200. This has been sent to Christian Aid and is much appreciated. Thank you.

## **St Brigid's & St Paul's**

**We welcome to 9am Mass at St Paul's this Sunday, our young people who are presenting themselves for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is the first step of their journey towards Confirmation which will take place at St Brigid's on Saturday 13 July. We ask that during this time we all pray for our young people as they prepare to receive the Holy Spirit into their lives.**

**New to the Parish?  
Pick up a leaflet**

**Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> Pentecost**

|        |        |             |                                            |                            |
|--------|--------|-------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm    | C the K     | <b>Ann Donovan (Donovan Family)</b>        |                            |
| Sun.   | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Cora and Maureen Carroll</b>            | Pentecost                  |
|        | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Dorothy Wooding (M &amp; C Johnson)</b> |                            |
|        | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>Universal Church</b>                    |                            |
|        | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                |                            |
| Mon.   | 9.30am | St Brigid's | <b>Thanksgiving Our Lady</b>               | Mary, Mother of the Church |
| Tues.  | 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Fr John Cummins (C Bailey)</b>          | St Barnabas                |
| Wed.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>Illtyd Thomas</b>                       |                            |
| Thurs. |        |             |                                            | St Anthony of Padua        |
| Fri.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>Eucharistic Service</b>                 |                            |
| Sat.   | 9.30am | St Brigid's | <b>Eucharistic Service</b>                 |                            |

**Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup> Trinity Sunday**

|      |      |             |                                     |                |
|------|------|-------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Sat. | 6pm  | C the K     | <b>William Thomas Brown (Brown)</b> |                |
| Sun. | 9am  | St Paul's   | <b>James &amp; Niall Manahan</b>    | Trinity Sunday |
|      | 9am  | C the K     | <b>Liana Mathew (J Mathew)</b>      |                |
|      | 11am | St Brigid's | <b>Daw Family Intentions</b>        |                |
|      | 6pm  | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>         |                |

**Praying for our Neighbours**

Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in  
**Cyncoed Road**  
**Cherry Orchard Road**  
**Woolaston Avenue & Ontario Way**  
 who have received prayers cards in the last few days.

**Cycle of Prayer**

Please pray for the parish of the Most Holy Trinity, Ledbury in Herefordshire, for parish priest  
 Fr Adrian Wiltshire and for all at Ledbury Community Hospital.

**3 Churches  
 Parish Council Chairs**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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**High School**  
*Headteacher*  
 Mr Patrick Brunnock  
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**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Christ the King**  
 Tuesday 10am - 3pm  
**St. Paul's**  
 Wednesday 10am - 3pm  
**St. Brigid's**  
 Thursday 8 - 9pm

**Sacrament of  
 Reconciliation**

**St Brigid's**  
 Saturday 10-10.30  
**St Paul's**  
 Friday before/after  
 9.30am Mass  
**Christ the King**  
 Saturday 5.30pm

**Last Week's Collection**

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
*Gift Aid* £ 574.50  
*Non Gift Aid* £ 641.62  
**Total** £ 1216.12  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

*Gift Aid* £ 301.50  
*Non Gift Aid* £ 334.47  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 448.50  
**Total** £ 1084.47

**Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) by Wednesday afternoon at the latest!**

**PRAYERS**

*Please remember the following in your prayers, who are unwell at this time:*

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, Edith Baker, Clare Bell, John Campbell, Mary Clarke,  
 Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Elizabeth Cunningham, Agnes Davies, Win Drury,  
 Sheila Ferriter, Emily, Jean Hill, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Michael Mathews,  
 Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, John Reardon,  
 Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Edgar Tiller, Genoveva Urriaga,  
 Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.